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The reply filed on 6/18/03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Claim 34 as now presented is informal as it depends upon a cancelled claim.

In the Office Action of June 3, 2003, the Examiner indicated that claim 34 was being viewed as an independent method claim, incorporating by reference the subject matter of claim 30.

However, since claim 30 has now been cancelled, the incorporation by reference cannot be made.

This is considered to be an informality, and can be corrected by either canceling claim 34 or amending claim 34 to include all of the subject matter from claim 30.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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